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CONTINUATION OF THE NATIONAL EMERGENCY WITH RESPECT TO TERRORISTS WHO THREATEN TO DISRUPT THE MIDDLE EAST PEACE PROCESS

On January 23, 1995, by Executive Order 12947, the

President declared a national emergency pursuant to the

International Emergency Economic Powers Act (50 U.S.C.

1701-1706) to deal with the unusual and extraordinary threat

to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the

United States constituted by grave acts of violence committed by

foreign terrorists that disrupt the Middle East peace process.

On August 20, 1998, by Executive Order 13099, the President

modified the Annex to Executive Order 12947 to identify four

additional persons who threaten to disrupt the Middle East peace

process. On February 16, 2005, by Executive Order 13372, the

President clarified the steps taken in Executive Order 12947.

These terrorist activities continue to threaten the Middle East peace process and to pose an unusual and extraordinary threat to the national security, foreign policy, and economy of the United States. For this reason, the national emergency declared on January 23, 1995, and the measures adopted to deal with that emergency must continue in effect beyond January 23, 2018. In accordance with section 202(d) of the

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National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1622(d)), I am, therefore, continuing for 1 year the national emergency with respect to foreign terrorists who threaten to disrupt the Middle East peace process declared in Executive Order 12947.

This notice shall be published in the $Federal\ Register$ and transmitted to the Congress.

THE WHITE HOUSE,

January 17, 2018.

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